

Pawelek House  
Cestakova, Texas.

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PAWELEK HOUSE  
Near Cestohova, Karnes County, Texas.

Owner: John Pawelek

Date of Erection: 1865

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Machie Pawelek

Present Condition: Excellent

Number of Stories: Two

Materials of Construction: Stone walls covered with plaster; wood shingle roof.

Other Existing Records: None

Additional Data:

The Pawelek House was built by early Polish Settlers and represents an excellent example of their type of Architecture in this particular community.

The first floor has a living room, a kitchen and a front porch; the second floor has only a bed room that is reached by an outside stone stair. The entrance off the front porch is a double three panel door, the upper panel of glass and the two lower panels of wood.

The window sash are six light and slide vertically in the manner of our present double hung windows. The living rooms has cypress floor and plaster walls. The ceiling was originally exposed rafters.

One of the most characteristic features of this house is the unusual coloring. The shingle roof is painted black, the window and door trim is dark brown, the blinds are light green, as is some vertical boarding on the porch. The back door is light brown; the front door is light brown with pink panels. The cornice is dark brown; the porch ceiling is grey. The plaster walls are white. All colors are kept fresh and vivid.

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